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¹eat	verb ∖'ēt∖		
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Definition of	f EAT		Like

- 1 : to take in through the mouth as food : ingest, chew, and swallow in turn
- 2 a: to destroy, consume, or waste by or as if by eating <expenses ate up the profits> <gadgets that eat up too much space>
  - **b**: to bear the expense of: take a loss on < the team was forced to eat the rest of his contract>
- **3 a**: to consume gradually: corrode < cars eaten away by
  - **b**: to consume with vexation: BOTHER < what's eating you now>
- 4 : to enjoy eagerly or avidly : LAP —used with up <it was an amazing performance and the crowd ate it up>
- **5** usually vulgar: to perform fellatio or cunnilingus on —often used with out

- 1 : to take food or a meal
- 2 : to affect something by gradual destruction or consumption —usually used with into, away, or at <the loss was really eating at her> <the controversy ate into his support>
  - eat-er noun
  - eat alive
    - : to defeat, conquer, or overwhelm completely : CRUSH <was eaten alive by the competition>
  - eat one out of house and home
    - : to consume more than one can easily provide or afford
  - eat one's heart out
    - 1: to grieve bitterly

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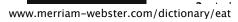


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2 : to be jealous

- eat one's words
  - : to retract what one has said
- eat out of one's hand
  - : to accept the domination of another
- eat someone's lunch
  - : to deprive of profit, dominance, or success
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# **Examples of EAT**

You'll feel better if you eat something.

I ate a big breakfast so I'm not very hungry.

They like to eat at home.

### Origin of EAT

Middle English *eten,* from Old English *etan;* akin to Old High German *ezzan* to eat, Latin *edere,* Greek *edmenai* 

First Known Use: before 12th century

### Related to EAT

**Synonyms:** consume, ingest, partake (of), put away, put down, tuck (away *or* in)

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<sup>2</sup>eat noun

### **Definition of EAT**

: something to eat : FOOD —usually used in plural

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### **Other Food Terms**

Reuben, calamari, chuck, curry, edamame, foie gras, hummus, leaven, nonpareil, peel

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# **Medical Definition of EAT**

transitive verb

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∠ : to consume gradually : CORRODE

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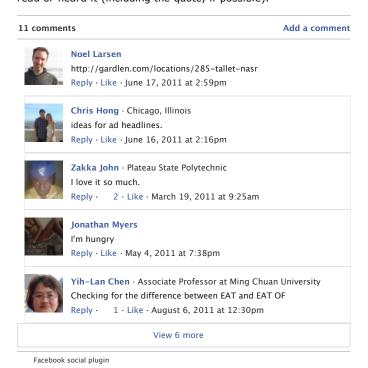
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